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## **Sen. Allen welcomes Rogers City pastor to deliver Senate invocation**

**LANSING** – The Michigan Senate started session Tuesday with a prayer from a Rogers City pastor as the guest of Sen. Jason Allen, R-Traverse City.

The Rev. Bill Koch, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Rogers City led the session in prayer during the daily invocation.

“It was a wonderful opportunity to have Pastor Koch here today,” Allen said. “It was definitely an honor to have him join us and lead us in prayer.”

Allen said he enjoys inviting local religious leaders to give the invocation. The Michigan Senate starts every session day with an opening prayer by a senator or their guest, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

“His heartfelt words gave us purpose and direction as we went about our work for the day to make Michigan a better place for everyone to call home,” Allen said.

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**Editor’s note:** A photo of Sen. Allen and Rev. Koch is available on the Web at:

<http://www.senate.michigan.gov/gop/photowire/Allen/Allen.htm>